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Skowhegan Man Sentenced for Possessing Child Pornography

Bangor, Maine: United States Attorney Paula D. Silsby announced that **Dana Earl Cully**, 59, of Skowhegan, was sentenced on January 8, 2009, in U.S. District Court in Bangor, Maine, to 78 months of imprisonment and 5 years supervised release for the federal crime of possession of child pornography on his computer. Cully pleaded guilty on June 6, 2008.

Court records reveal that in June 2006, information was received by law enforcement that Cully might be downloading and transmitting child pornography over the Internet at his Skowhegan residence. In October 2006, Cully agreed to allow a Maine State Police officer to look at Cully's computer to determine if any child pornography images were on it. The initial search of the computer revealed that it contained child pornography, which Cully had been receiving through his Yahoo account. Cully consented to the further search of both his computers, and the results of the search revealed over 1000 images of child pornography.

United States Attorney Silsby praised the investigation conducted by the Department of Homeland Security Immigration and Customs Enforcement Cyber Crimes Center and the Maine State Police Computer Crimes Unit.

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